

2009 RAFFLE GOURD AWARDED!!

The winner of the Wild Flower Raffle gourd is Melissa Gonzales who lives in Rosenberg, Texas (about 20 miles southwest of Houston) with her husband Art and their thirteen month old son, Trey. Others present for the raffle gourd presentation included Melissa's father, Carlos Arrendondo, her grandfather John M. Arrendondo, age 95, and John's friend Louisa Garza.

One day in June, eight family members visited Ms. Grace Ayala in Kerrville, who insisted that they visit the Kerr Arts and Cultural Center (KACC) to see the gourd show. None of the visitors had ever seen gourd arts and crafts and were amazed by the beautiful work. Before leaving the gallery, they bought 6 raffle tickets, putting 6 names from their group on the tickets. Melissa was excited when she got the phone call telling her she had won, but I think she was even more excited when she saw it in her home. "It looks bigger than I remembered it, and so beautiful" she exclaimed. *— by TGS President Bill Willibey*



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